

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. RES. 505

Commending the University of Kansas men's basketball team for winning the 2008 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I Basketball Championship.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 8, 2008

Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mr. BROWNBACK, and Mr. STEVENS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Commending the University of Kansas men's basketball team for winning the 2008 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I Basketball Championship.

Whereas, on April 7, 2008, the University of Kansas men's basketball team won its third NCAA Division I Basketball Championship and fifth national title with its 75–68 overtime win over the University of Memphis—on the twentieth anniversary of the historic win by the team led by Danny Manning known as “Danny and the Miracles”;

Whereas with this win the Jayhawks achieved a school record for all-time season wins, posting a 37–3 win-loss record during their run for the title, and finished the season with a thirteen-game winning streak, securing the Big XII Conference Championship title after starting the sea-

son with a twenty-game undefeated record, in addition to the 2008 NCAA Division I men's basketball crown;

Whereas Head Coach Bill Self improved his all-time record at Kansas to 142–32 and 12–4 in the tournament assisted by a miraculous last-minute three-point shot by guard Mario Chalmers;

Whereas Kansas guard Mario Chalmers was chosen as the Most Outstanding Player of the Final Four and was named to the all-tournament team along with guards Brandon Rush and Darrell Arthur;

Whereas each player, coach, trainer, and manager dedicated his or her time and effort to ensuring that the Kansas Jayhawks reached their goal of capturing a national championship; and

Whereas the families of the players, students, alumni, and faculty of the University of Kansas, and all the supporters of the University of Kansas, are to be congratulated for their commitment to, and pride in, the basketball program at the University: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) commends the University of Kansas men's
3 basketball team for winning the 2008 NCAA Division I Basketball Championship;

5 (2) recognizes the achievements of all of the
6 players, coaches, and support staff who were instrumental in helping the University of Kansas men's
7 basketball team win its third NCAA Division I Basketball Championship and fifth national championship; and
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1 (3) respectfully requests the Secretary of the
2 Senate to transmit enrolled copies of this resolution
3 to—

4 (A) the University of Kansas for appro-
5 priate display;

6 (B) the Chancellor of the University of
7 Kansas, Robert Hemenway;

8 (C) the Athletic Director of the University
9 of Kansas, Lew Perkins; and

10 (D) the Head Coach of the University of
11 Kansas men's basketball team, Bill Self.

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